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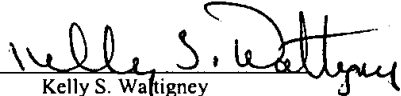
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	KRAMLICH et al.	Examiner:	Maples, J.
Serial No.:	09/997,944	Group Art Unit:	1745
Filed:	November 29, 2001	Docket:	56985US002
Title:	DISCONTINUOUS CATHODE SHEET HALFCCELL WEB		

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**OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated October 6, 2003, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The amendments to the claims are presented in accordance with the "revised format" of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

Authorization is herewith given to charge **Deposit Account 50-0996 (3MMM.528US01)** all requisite fees, to include fees incurred by claims amendments and/or new claim(s) submissions, as presented in this Response and Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

This Response and Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, wherein the requisite fees are charged to said Deposit Account.